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MEMORIAL DAY.

LET THE observance of this solemn festival be one that will carry weight and impress on the young mind the importance of looking seriously at the situation with which we are confronted. In less than a week after the anniversary the young men of this and every other community under the Stars and Stripes will be forcibly reminded of their obligations to their country by being called upon to register their willingness to serve and, if necessary, to sacrifice themselves on the altar of patriotism. The approach of Memorial Day brings with it the thought that the celebration can be made a powerful instrument for awaking young and old to their responsibilities. The day should be devoted to the earnest consideration of what each one of us can do in sharing the burdens which have been thrust on us and in forefending the possibility of invasion by a hostile power. Young and old should have inculcated thoughts of usefulness and economies that will have a practical bearing on the solution of questions now agitating congress. The time is pregnant with events of the most momentous nature but, if every man acquits himself of his duty, there will be no doubt of the outcome. Let all be actuated by the one thought that perpetuation of our institutions is the guiding star of every loyal citizen and he who does not accept these duties is undeserving of the name of citizen or the enjoyment of the manifold benefits accruing from residence under the flag which is the parent of all similar institutions on the face of the globe. The spirit that should animate us is the same spirit in a greater degree that inspires the republics of the southern continent, the minor republics of the Caribbean seas and the allies of Europe to proffer their services in fighting for the same cause and the same motives typified by the United States. Remember it is not alone men but money that are called for by this war, and the man at home and the child at the knee of its mother should all be taught the lesson that they can be instrumental in making for a great victory by offering some little sacrifice to the country. The opportunity is offered by the invitation to subscribe to the war loan which is about to be placed before us to raise funds for equipping the men at the front and fortifying the allied troops in the field with commodities and supplies of all kinds.

The stupendous nature of this war cannot be grasped without pondering deeply on the preparations in progress for redeeming our pledges to the long and patient enduring men of France, England, Belgium, Serbia, Montenegro, Russia and Italy. These nations have withstood the assaults of the best drilled armies of the universe and in the course of time have repelled the invader. Mile by mile and almost inch by inch, every foot of the trespassed territory is being recovered, but at a loss of human life that is almost incredible. Two years of war have almost exhausted the resources of these brave people and in justice to them it falls to our lot to see that they receive that substantial support that can only come from a whole hearted offering of a spontaneous character.

STAND BY CONGRESS.

CONGRESS may have made mistakes and is likely to make more for congress, after all, is nothing more than human and governed by human foibles and failings, but in the grand summing up it is the representative of the people whose thoughts are reflected in the action of its lawmakers. We are now at war and that war will be exactly what the people standing behind congress and the president choose to make it. Our delegates at Washington have weighty matters engaging their attention and they cannot afford to frivol away time in writing their constituents explaining every minor detail of their duties. Let us have confidence in these men and let us advise them that this confidence is reposed in them with the conviction that they will conduct themselves and legislate for the best interests of the nation. It is no longer a Democratic president or a Republican president; it is the president of all the people, your president and our president, the man who stands today invested with the awful responsibility of deciding the future of more than one-half the entire world. If America fails to discharge the trust assumed by declaring war it will be the fault of the people of this country who fail to come to an active appreciation of the terribly earnest undertaking we are entering upon. Never has such a strain been placed upon any belligerent power. Every step taken must be paved for our soldiers. The transportation systems of England, France and Russia are overtaxed and unable to meet the additional demand called forth by the movement of an army of a million men or more. In projecting the new army into Europe we must send it forth equipped with railroad construction material capable of handling with facility the troops from this side and also the material that will be required for the reconstruction of the entire railroad systems of France and Russia. The troops movement is no small item when we consider that it will involve the work of thousands of locomotives, hundreds of thousands freight and passenger cars, millions of ties and thousands of miles of steel rails before our forces can be prepared to cope with the enemy already heavily entrenched in selected positions. These various matters are occupying the legislators at Washington and the national council of defence consisting of some of the most widely known citizens who honor the republic by their abnegation and devotion to duty. Therefore let us do what we can to ameliorate the trying circumstances confronting the noble army of men at Washington who are trying to look far enough into the future to be prepared for the crowning achievement of our arms which will bring victory to our banners and freedom to the nations of Europe which have been struggling vainly against autocracy and militarism for generations upon generations.

RED CROSS WEEK.

PRESIDENT WILSON has proclaimed the week ending June 15 as the week on which loyal citizens should center their thoughts with the determination to provide for the stern developments of war by equipping ourselves both in the field and at home to care for the thousands who become the heritage of our action in responding to the cry of distress from stricken Europe. It is not alone in providing means for medical and surgical treatment, in establishing hospital bases and in taking care of the invalided men who will soon be pouring across the waters in search of recuperation and sympathy, but in looking after the orphans and widows remaining in

the devastated sections of Europe, when the retreating armies of the kaiser have left nothing but a barren desert in what once was the most fruitful district of France. The work calls for an outlay of \$200,000,000 which must be raised by popular subscription. Tonopah has done its duty nobly, but the field is large and it is not alone by dollar contributions that this new demand upon our resources must be met. The money can only be raised by everybody sharing generously in the chosen task of mitigating the evils of warfare through donations of the most liberal nature. The objects of the society were expressed forcibly and appealingly at the recent dedication of the Red Cross building in Washington when President Wilson spoke as follows:

"The Red Cross needs at this time more than ever it needed before, the comprehending support of the American people, and all the facilities which could be placed at its disposal to perform its duties adequately and sufficiently. I believe that the American people, perhaps hardly yet, realize the sacrifices and sufferings that are before them. We thought the scale of our Civil War was unprecedented, but, in comparison with the struggle into which we have now entered, the Civil War seems almost insignificant in its proportions and in its expenditure of treasure and blood. And therefore it is a matter of the greatest importance that we should at the outset see to it that the American Red Cross is equipped and prepared for the things that lie before it. * * * Their first duty will be to raise a great fund out of which to draw the resources for the performance of their duty and I do not believe that it will be necessary to appeal to the American people to respond to the call for funds because the heart of this country is in this war and, if the heart of the country is in this war, its heart will express itself in the gifts that will be poured out for these humane purposes. I say the heart of the country is in this war because it would not have gone into it if its heart had not been prepared for it. It would not have gone into it, if it had not first believed that there was an opportunity to express the character of the United States. We have gone in with no special grievance of our own, because we have always said we were the friends and the servants of mankind. We look for no profit. We look for no advantage. We will accept no advantage out of this war. We go because we believe that the very principles upon which the American republic was founded are now at stake and must be vindicated."

BASEBALL GAMES

(By Associated Press.)
 SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—With the second month of the Pacific Coast baseball league season has come the normal batting averages of the various players. With only two exceptions, the regulars have dropped from their 400 and 500 per cent positions and now are in the midst of their struggle either to reach or to maintain their places over the 300 per cent mark. Bassler, of Los Angeles, and Ryan, of Salt Lake, were the last of the regulars to cling to the 400 figures.

From present appearances it does not seem at all likely that there will be any man capable of exciting the fans with the home run habit of such players as Ping Bodie and Bunny Briet. With one quarter of the season behind them no one as yet has made any approach to breaking into two figures. With one or two exceptions, the three base hits bagged by any individual may be counted on the fingers on the finger of one hand.

Neither are there any Jimmy Johnstons in the league when it comes to the matter of base stealing. Corban, of San Francisco, with less than a score of pilfers to his credit is not experiencing any serious competition thus far. That is, in part, ascribed to the fact that the catchers on the various teams are keeping a sharp eye out to second base and are throwing to that point with good results.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
San Francisco	32	18	.640
Salt Lake	26	19	.578
Oakland	23	24	.489
Portland	21	25	.457
Los Angeles	20	27	.429
Vernon	20	29	.408

Yesterday's Games

At Los Angeles—	R.	H.	E.
Portland	1	7	2
Los Angeles	2	9	3
Batteries: Mails and Fisher; Crandall, Houck and Boles.			
(14 Innings.)			

At Salt Lake—	R.	H.	E.
Vernon	5	9	0
Salt Lake	0	5	0
(Seven Innings—darkness)			
Batteries: Quinn and Simon; Schinkie, Hoff and Hannah.			

At San Francisco—	R.	H.	E.
San Francisco	1	9	4
Oakland	5	6	1
Batteries: Bates, Baum and McKee; Kremer and Roche.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	24	14	.637
Philadelphia	19	11	.633
New York	17	11	.607
St. Louis	16	15	.516
Brooklyn	12	15	.444
Cincinnati	15	21	.417
Pittsburg	11	17	.393
Boston	10	18	.355

(By Associated Press.)
 NEW YORK, May 26.—Chicago sent New York into third place by defeating the Giants 6 to 1 yesterday. The visitors knocked both Peritt and Tesrau out of the box. Demaree, the former New York pitcher who defeated the Giants regularly while with Philadelphia in 1915 and 1916 continues his string of successes over New York. Fletcher was ordered off the field by Umpire Quigley.

(By Associated Press.)
 PHILADELPHIA, May 26.—Philadelphia bunched seven hits, which included two home runs and three doubles off Schenider in the fourth, fifth and sixth and ninth innings yesterday, and defeated Cincinnati 5 to 2. During Cincinnati's batting practice Catcher Adams of Philadelphia had his nose broken when a bat slipped out of Manager Mathewson's hands and hit him in the face.

(By Associated Press.)
 BOSTON, May 26.—Boston won its first game of the week yesterday defeating St. Louis 4 to 2. Rawlings started his first game for Boston at second base. He scored two runs, made a triple and fielded brilliantly.

(By Associated Press.)
 BROOKLYN, May 26.—Brooklyn made it two straight with Pittsburgh yesterday, winning 4 to 3. Johnson prevented a tie in the ninth by making a sensational shoestring catch of Carey's low liner. Cuthaw kept up his batting streak, getting a double and two singles in three times at bat. He was hit by a pitched ball the fourth time.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Standing of the Clubs	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Boston	21	10	.677
Chicago	25	13	.658
New York	17	12	.586
Cleveland	20	17	.540
St. Louis	15	21	.417
Washington	13	20	.393
Detroit	12	19	.387
Philadelphia	11	20	.355

(By Associated Press.)
 CLEVELAND, May 26.—Cleveland made it two straight from New York yesterday, winning 5 to 5. New York led five to nothing when Cleveland went to bat in the ninth. Howard battled for Evans and struck out. O'Neill singled. Billings battled for Lambeth and singled. Graney doubled. Chapman singled. Speaker doubled. With three runs across and two men on bases Shocker gave way to Russell. Alston struck out. Wombegans scratched an in-field hit, scoring Chapman. Guisto walked, filling the bases. Howard came to bat again. With two strikes on Howard Speaker stole home with the tying run. The ball was a wild pitch and Wombegans scored the winning run from second base.

(By Associated Press.)
 DETROIT, May 26.—Philadelphia won another loosely played game from Detroit yesterday, 10 to 6. The game going 11 innings. Cobb played in his old position in center field today.

(By Associated Press.)
 CHICAGO, May 26.—Erratic playing by Washington enabled Chicago to make it three straight from the visitors yesterday, 5 to 1. Benz pitched a good game. Craft, who replaced Harper, had his angle slightly wrenched when Risberg slid into him when he was covering the plate. Craft was assisted off the field. The fielding of Weaver and Risberg featured the game.

(By Associated Press.)
 ST. LOUIS, May 26.—Leonard was in great form yesterday, allowing but two hits and Boston shut out St. Louis 3 to 0. Not a local player reached first until after two were out in the sixth, when Green got the first single off Leonard.

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SAVING CONSCRIPTS FROM CONTAMINATION

(By Associated Press.)
 WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.—Secretary Baker made public today a letter he has addressed to the governors of all states calling for cooperation in keeping the army mobilization camps free from improper surroundings and immoral influences.

"Our responsibility in this matter is not open to question," the secretary wrote. "We cannot allow these young men, most of whom will have

been drafted to service, to be surrounded by a vicious and demoralizing environment, nor can we leave anything undone which will protect them from unhealthy influences and crude forms of temptation."

NO NAVAL DISASTERS

(By Associated Press.)
 WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.—A categorical denial that any American naval vessels have been sunk in the war was issued last night by Secretary Daniels.

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